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In Re Patent Application of: :
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Title: MODIFIED SURFACE ANTIGEN

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to and including December 10, 2006, for responding to the Office Action mailed January 10, 2006, in lieu of filing an Appeal Brief following the filing of a Notice of Appeal on July 10, 2006. An RCE and response to the Office Action accompany this Petition.

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